

Trinity Lutheran Church Annual Meeting

Eau Claire, Wisconsin

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A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP MARTIN

To the amazing disciples of the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin,

As I reflect on this past year, one of the most significant moments came at the fall Conference of Bishops, which was held immediately following the installation of our ELCA Presiding Bishop, Yehiel Curry. In his first address to the conference, he talked about a one word focus for his first year, connection. As soon as he said it, I was already engaged, especially since that had been one of my goals in my first year!

As I tour this great synod of ours, I've already been to over 50 churches representing over 60 congregations. It helps a lot when I can experience a worship opportunity where multiple churches come together, as was the case in Menomonie and Eau Claire! Needless to say, I enjoy learning about the history and more importantly, the people that each congregation has to offer. So distinctive, yet at the same time, we are all still a part of the same team, connected by our common faith and common mission to love our neighbors.

Speaking of our neighbors, I have made it a priority to lift up the important ministry of Neighbor to Neighbor, staffed by Deacon Lidix Montoya and supported by a newly appointed board at last year's synod assembly. It was at that same assembly where we adopted a resolution to raise \$175,000 over three years to support this ministry that is already making great strides in supporting the Latino community throughout our synod. I would invite you personally to contribute toward this goal and/or increase what your church contributes to this ministry on an ongoing basis. Neighbor to Neighbor is a ministry that is so critical right now as so many of our Latino friends live in constant fear of deportation, which can inhibit their ability to even worship in public! We have a tremendous opportunity to show them that they are loved and valued, so let's come together for this important purpose.

Another highlight of 2025 was attending my first ever Churchwide Assembly in Phoenix. In addition to electing the first black Churchwide Secretary (CeeCee Mills) and Presiding Bishop (Yehiel Curry), we also passed yet another social statement, Faith and Civic Life. The rostered leaders of the synod will be spending some time digesting it at our upcoming Winter Theological Event in hopes to equip them to lead a study in your church. I would strongly encourage you to participate in this study as it addresses many of our current realities, including the issue of Christian Nationalism. This is a strong movement that is sweeping the country, but remains largely in conflict with our Lutheran beliefs. Faith and Civic Life conversations can help us all remain rooted in our faith and help us understand how to be engaged in life beyond worship.

To close, I'd like to thank you for your relationship to the synod. We truly can do more together, staying connected. We cannot reach out to the many different groups throughout the synod without your generosity. May we continue to innovate in 2026 as we work collaboratively together and share the love of God throughout our communities!

Privileged to serve,
Bishop Martin

Campus Ministry annual report for congregations, December 2025



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Dear friends of the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin,

Campus ministry is an extension of your ministry, where students find a “church home away from home” while they are apart from the faith communities that raised them. Like congregations, we have worship, Bible studies, service projects, and fellowship activities. We gather for meals (very important for college students, among whom food insecurity is higher than the national average). We pray together. We celebrate things like getting into an academic program, studying abroad, starting an internship, and graduation, together. We offer comfort and support through roommate conflicts, family struggles, identity crises, and the death of pets or grandparents. As the body of Christ, coming from a variety of ecumenical traditions, we share our faith in Jesus as we learn together what it means to be baptized and sent out into the world to embody God’s love for one another.

So much is new when a student moves to college. Campus ministry is one thing that can be consistent between home and school. The people and activities will be different, sure, but the solid theology and home church traditions will feel familiar. Please help the students in your life find Campus Ministry when they go to university, and support them as they continue to grow in their relationship with Jesus and sense of call as a child of God.

Campus ministries depend on congregational support in prayer, attendance, connecting us with students, and financial donations. THANK YOU for all the ways your congregation has been present for campus ministry this year!

Peace++

Ben McWhorter-Rush,

Sara McCullough,

and Lori Ruge-Jones,

NWSWI campus ministry staff

Agenda

August 23, 2026 – 10:30 a.m.

Worship Center

Call to Order – Jacque Strayer, Vice President

Opening Prayer – Pastor Tom Westcott

Approval of Minutes of August 24, 2025 - Annual Congregational Meeting
Robin Drout, Secretary

Approval of Minutes of November 2, 2025 - Special Meeting-Sale of ETF Lexington Rental
Robin Drout, Secretary

Approval of Minutes of January 25, 2026 - Special Meeting-Sale of ETF Clairemont Rental
Robin Drout, Secretary

Financial Report July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026
Craig Olsen, Treasurer

Proposed Budget July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027
Craig Olsen, Treasurer

Election to the 2026-2027 Congregation Council:
The Nominating Committee forwards the following to complete appointed three-year term: Heather Kapanke
The Nominating Committee forwards the following for three-year terms: Sarah Lilly, Anne Lindahl, Kristin Walukas

Election to the 2027 Nominating Committee:
Six people needed for one-year term: Tony Benedict, Karla Halloin, Terri Krause, Rick Mateski, John Schroedel

Election to the Endowment Trust Board of Trustees:
Three people needed for three-year terms. The Board submits the following for three-year terms: Karla Halloin, Greg Helgeson, and Tom Kurschner

Election to the Personnel Committee:
One person needed for a three-year term: Becky Glass

Reports from Pastors
Pastor Patrick Patterson
Pastor Tom Westcott

New Business

Adjournment

Closing Prayer – Pastor Patrick Patterson

Congregational Meeting Minutes

Trinity Lutheran Church Annual Meeting

August 24, 2025

Call to Order: Secretary Robin Drout called the meeting to order at 10:45 am. The meeting was held in the church worship center. A quorum was reached with 43 voting members present.

Opening Prayer: Pastor Patrick Paterson provided an opening prayer.

Approval of Minutes: Secretary Robin Drout presented the minutes from the meetings from the last year and a half including the Congregational Annual Meeting on February 4, 2024, the Special Congregational Meeting Minutes for the Adoption of Revised Constitution on November 10, 2024, and the Special Congregational Meeting Minutes for the Loan for Rental Property Repairs on June 15, 2025. Robin requested we move those together for one consideration unless there were any objections or corrections. Hearing none a motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the minutes as presented.

Financial Report for January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025: Treasurer Craig Olsen reported that the reason why it is 18 months is because we changed the fiscal year end, so we have to cover all 18 months. Craig reported there was a loss of \$54,459.01 for the first 6 months, a loss of \$4,863.74 for the next 12 months. We have plenty of fund reserves which is where the balance came from to cover the losses. Overall, the expenses have been maintained very well and have been less than budgeted but the income has been down. A question was raised regarding the general envelopes, actual versus proposed for 2025-2026 was increased by about \$110,000. Craig explained that there is an expectation that people will give more than the year before. Pastor Patrick explained the budget basically remained flat even with staff payrate increases and we have had a few staff transitions. Patrick indicated we are looking at refiguring the positions and there will be one position we will not be replacing and there will be a couple of positions that will likely be less than fulltime, and expenses are expected to be lower. And we do expect that the increase will be more reflective of the prior years as we start going again.

There was a question about what positions might not be filled or changed. Patrick indicated that would be in the Pastor's report, but he would address that now. We had a full-time staff in the office which will now be reduced to a part-time position. We are looking at some other ways of doing the electronic, social media and website features. With Dr. Frank leaving, we have not been able to find another music director so we may be going more towards an accompanist for the senior choir along with a worship coordinator, not at a music director position.

Council Member Jacque Strayer pointed out that historically speaking, 2023, 2022, 2021, and 2020 until Covid, our total offerings were up over that million-dollar mark and the view is that we will return to that.

Craig also pointed out the statistics of our members. It appears that we have lost a lot of members (554). That is just from a member clean up that has not been done in over 10 years for people who have left the church and have not been removed. All members were contacted to determine their status as a member of the church so now we have a good solid list of who is a member of the church.

Robin requested a motion to approved and accept the financial reports for the period of January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the financial reports as presented.

Greg Helegson made a motion to approve the budget from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. Motion was seconded and approved.

Election of the 2025 Congregation Council: Secretary Robin Drout indicated there are seven positions open on the council for a three-year term. The Nominating Committee has forward-ed seven names. They are Eric Dovre, Greg Helegson, Dawn Marcott, Gail Schulner, Natalie Hanson, Denyse Schroeder and Henry Butler. Bios are included in the annual report. Greg Helegson will be returning to the council after his first three-year term. Henry Butler, the youth representative, was appointed earlier this year to fill a vacant position. He is nominated to fill a three-year term. He is a sophomore in high school, and we are hopeful he will be able to represent through his senior year. Dawn Marcott and Denyse Schroeder previously served on council several years ago. Robin asked for any further nominations. Hearing none, he requested a motion to approve the slate of nominees. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the seven members to the Congregation Council.

Election to the 2025 Nominating Committee: Secretary Robin Drout indicated there are six positions open for a one-year term. Three names were advanced: Scott DeRusha, Jennifer Kilmurray and Chris Lindahl. Three more positions need to be filled, and a request was made to fill those positions from the floor. Robin called for self-nominations from the floor or nominating a neighbor. Ann Johnson nominated herself. Council will have to work to fill the remaining positions. A motion was made to accept Scott DeRusha, Jennifer Kilmurray, Chris Lindahl and Ann Johnson to the Nominating Committee. The motion was seconded and approved.

Election of the Endowment Trust Board of Trustees: Secretary Robin Drout presented three candidates for three-year terms on the Endowment Trust Board: Suzanne Becker, Reidar Gullicksrud and Joseph Stienessen. Joe will be starting his second three-year term. Suzanne and Reidar will begin their first three-year term. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept these three candidates to the Endowment Trust Board.

Election to the Personnel Committee: Secretary Robin Drout presented one candidate for a three-year term on the Personnel Committee: Matt Walukas. Matt will begin his first three-year term. No other nominees were presented. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept Matt Walukas to the Personnel Committee.

Ratification Vote for the Constitutional Change: Secretary Robin Drout reminded the congregation that in November of 2024 we approved constitutional changes and that the Constitution requires two votes to change our constitution. Today is the ratification vote. Robin called for a motion to ratify the Constitutional changes. Motion was made, seconded, and approved to ratify the constitution as presented. The necessary 2/3 vote required to pass the ratification was attained.

Secretary Robin Drout pointed out that all the terms of office that were elected will take effect at the end of the meeting. Robin also wanted to thank the members that are finishing their terms. Council members completing terms are John Burbank, Ellen Dovre, Chris Lindahl, Pat Mertens, and Arla Prestin. The Nominating Committee that completed their one-year term are Tony Benedict, Marty Hofer, Tom Sandager, Kristi Trunkel and Kristin Walukas. For the

Endowment Board, rotating off are Mary Jo Hanson and Stacy Secker and Personnel Committee, Becky Drout.

Reports from Pastors:

Pastor Tom Wescott mentioned what a unique year it has been. With Pastor Patrick's sabbatical, life of the church did not stop. Despite staffing transitions, ministry kept moving, prayers kept rising, worship happened, and this community kept serving the Eau Claire area and beyond. Tom experienced the depth of our church community during those 13 weeks. Tom saw God's faithfulness in all of us together. He took a moment to thank our staff, our council and so many volunteers that have stepped up in many ways this year. We lead and our ministry is always a shared ministry. We learned we are a stronger church and can thrive together. Tom expressed his gratitude for the privilege of walking this journey of faith with the congregation.

Pastor Patrick Patterson thanked the congregation for the sabbatical and reminded the congregation that his sabbatical ended in a very tragic and joyful way and that it is a reminder to all of us how faith works and why this congregation and this community of believers is so important to be surrounded by that. Pastor Tom will likely be on sabbatical next summer, but we will go through this next year in a very different way. Next summer we will be taking many lessons we learned during this sabbatical and applying them so that we can set ourselves up for success going forward. This church has been a stable place for decades. There has been very little staff turnover and suddenly we find ourselves with some changes that were not expected at all but that is one of the things that happen in the life of church. There are staff transitions, there is change. We are still in the process of figuring out what that looks like. If you have thoughts or concerns, please bring them to Pastor Tom or myself so we know what you are thinking. In the meantime, we are going to continue to try and build the best possible structure so that we can have the kind of ministry that you all have been a part of for so long. Patrick thanked the congregation for their patience, prayers and presence.

New Business: Secretary Robin Drout asked the congregation if there was any new business. Mary Schoenknecht was looking at the reports and did not see anything about an annual audit. She deferred to Treasurer Craig Olsen. Craig mentioned it was something they realized as well since Covid and it is something that we need to get back to and will work on it. Kevin Monson was the last person who did the audit, and he will be contacted to verify the procedure to get one done this year. Mary mentioned that Dawn Paul was concerned and wishes to have one done. Dawn brought it to Craig already. She is the church bookkeeper, and it is good protection for her and the church. Robin asked if there were any further items or questions. Hearing none, he asked Pastor Tom to proceed with the closing prayer.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Tom led a closing prayer.

Adjournment: Secretary Robin Drout adjourned the annual meeting at 11:18 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Zumwalt, Council Member

Special Congregational Meeting Minutes

Sale Of Endowment Trust Fund Rental Property

November 2, 2025

Call to Order: Karla Halloin, Congregation President, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Affirmation of Quorum: 61 congregation members were present, 21 more than needed for a quorum.

Sale of Property: The purpose of the meeting was to vote on the sale of the Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Trust rental property at 1408 E. Lexington Blvd in Eau Claire. A resolution authorizing the sale has been prepared and copies were furnished to those in attendance. A motion was made by Dennis Larson, seconded by Becky Drout, to approve the resolution as presented (see attached resolution).

Discussion: The meeting was opened to discussion:

- **Question:** Why is this property being sold now?
- **Answer:** Pastor Patrick Patterson explained that a Rental House Work Group was formed a couple of years ago made up of representatives from the Council, Endowment Trust Board, and Trinity staff. The work group determined that there was no identified need for Trinity to retain two rental houses owned by the Endowment Trust, but that one house owned directly by Trinity should be retained for possible future use of the property. The Trinity Council accepted the work group's recommendation. Following the Council's decision, the Endowment Trust Board determined that there were more preferred ways for it to invest its assets than in real estate. Both houses owned by the Endowment Trust (1408 E. Lexington Blvd. and 1413 E. Clairemont Ave.) have been placed for sale. This special meeting has been called because an offer has been received for the Lexington Blvd. house. Congregation approval of the sale is required. When an offer is received on the Clairemont Ave. house, another special meeting will be needed to approve that sale.
- **Question:** How will the money from the sale of the house be used?
- **Answer:** The Endowment Trust will invest the money as it does its other funds in order to support the ministry of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Vote: The vote on the motion was 61 yes, 0 no. Therefore, the necessary two-thirds approval was received.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Tom Westcott provided a closing prayer.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Robin Drout
Congregation Secretary

Special Congregational Meeting Minutes

Sale of Endowment Trust Rental Property on Clairemont Ave

January 25, 2026

Call to Order: Jacque Strayer, Congregation Vice President, called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.

Affirmation of Quorum: 59 congregation members were present, 19 more than needed for a quorum.

Opening Prayer: Pastor Patrick Patterson provided an opening prayer.

Sale of Property: Jacque explained that the purpose of the meeting was to vote on the sale of the Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Trust rental property at 1413 E. Clairemont Avenue in Eau Claire. A resolution authorizing the sale has been prepared and copies were furnished to those in attendance (see attached resolution). A motion was made by Craig Olsen, seconded by Jan Hildebrandt, to approve the resolution as presented.

Discussion: The meeting was opened to discussion:

- **Question:** Is this the house that the church currently has available for rent?
- **Answer:** No. That property is located on E. Lexington Blvd., east of the church building.

Vote: The vote on the motion was 59 yes, 0 no. Therefore, the necessary two-thirds approval was received.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Tom Westcott provided a closing prayer.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Robin Drout
Congregation Secretary

Congregation Council Nominee Profiles

Heather Kapanke

Family: I am married to Shawn Kapanke and we have 3 children. Cooper lives in Dallas, Campbell lives in Chicago, and our baby Kaija just graduated from high school and is going to UW Madison in the fall.

Occupation: I have been a school counselor for 26 years, both at elementary and high school. I am currently a school counselor at Memorial High School.

History with Trinity: We came to Trinity in 2011 when our previous church closed. Our oldest two children experienced Confirmation and Summer Stretch at Trinity. Our youngest child experienced Noah's Ark, Sunday School, VBS, and Confirmation. My husband is an usher and was a confirmation mentor. I had the opportunity to teach Sunday School, VBS, and be a confirmation mentor.

I appreciate Trinity for: the strong children and youth programs that my children experienced. I appreciate Trinity's inclusivity and welcoming for all.

I hope Trinity's Mission will: continue to serve others and be a positive and welcoming place for all people.

Sarah Lilly

Family: I grew up in Merrill, Wisconsin and met my husband, Timothy, while working as a school librarian in the Twin Cities. We married and moved to his hometown of Eau Claire in 2003. We have an 18-year old son, Ivan, who is starting college at my alma mater, St. Olaf in Northfield, MN this fall.

Occupation: I have been a school librarian since 2000. I am currently the school library media specialist at Robbins Elementary in Eau Claire. I've been there since 2004 and have loved working there!

History with Trinity: We joined Trinity in 2012 and since then I have taught Sunday School, assisted with Wednesday night programming, and for several years helped with VBS. I am excited for the opportunity to be on the church council.

I appreciate Trinity for: I appreciate the welcoming and inclusive nature of Trinity and am grateful for the children and youth ministry programs. As a family, we've enjoyed the music opportunities for youth, particularly during worship. In addition, I appreciate their emphasis on social justice and community service.

I hope Trinity's Mission will: continue to be a welcoming and inclusive community sharing in God's love.

Congregation Council Nominee Profiles

Anne Lindahl

Family: My husband, Christopher, and I have three children. Elizabeth graduated from UWEC and lives in Eau Claire. Our middle daughter, Molly, is going to college in Indianapolis and our son, Bjorn, is a sophomore at Memorial. We enjoy watching Bjorn play sports, spending time on the water, and hanging out with our dog, Matey.

Occupation: I was a tax accountant for 6 ½ years and a part time personal assistant for 7 years. My primary occupation has been running our household and taking care of our family. Over the years, I have held numerous volunteer board and committee positions, including the United Way of Greater Eau Claire Emerging Leaders, Putnam Heights and DeLong Parent Teacher Organizations, Wisconsin Alumni Association: Chippewa Chapter, and VBS for Trinity.

History with Trinity: We joined Trinity when Elizabeth started attending Noah's Ark. It was important to us that our children grow up with a strong faith foundation. Bjorn was baptized here and all the kids were confirmed at Trinity. Wednesday nights were church night for our family during their confirmation years, and Sunday School was also an important piece of our week. We have participated and volunteered for VBS, children's camps in the summer and Chris and I have done multiple adult/couple education opportunities.

I appreciate Trinity for: its children, youth, and family programs, Noah's Ark, and the many services it offers our community, such as the food pantry and Community Table. I also appreciate the opportunities it provides for everyone to ask questions about their faith and meet people where they are in their faith journey. I appreciate that we are an ELCA church that voices the importance of God's grace in our lives.

I hope Trinity's mission will: continue to be serving in Christ's love and sharing the good news. And that all members, young and old, will know that "because of Christ, you are LOVED, you BELONG, and you have GIFTS TO SHARE."

Kristin Walukas

Family: I am married to Matt, who can often be seen in the tech booth running cameras. We have two grown daughters, Annika and Kailyn, who were both confirmed at Trinity. We moved to Eau Claire in 2006.

Occupation: I work full-time as the Volunteer Engagement Director for Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council. I spend almost as much time on my volunteer passion serving in the Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol as the Squadron Commander of Eau Claire Composite Squadron and the Chief of Staff for the Wisconsin Wing.

History with Trinity: We joined Trinity in 2015 for the youth programming. Over the last 11 years, I have participated in the various music ministries of Trinity, including Praise Band, Choir, and most recently the Trinity Trollers.

I appreciate Trinity for: the welcoming, affirming atmosphere that embraces everyone.

I hope Trinity's mission will: both expand to our neighbors and deepen relationships within our congregation.

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Congregational Council

Buske, Lynn 2027
 Dovre, Eric 2028
 Drout, Robin 2027
 Helgeson, Greg 2028
 Kapanke, Heather* 2028
 Lilly, Sarah* 2029
 Lindahl, Anne* 2029
 Marcott, Dawn 2028
 Schoenknecht, Mary 2027
 Schroeder, Denyse 2028
 Schulner, Gail 2028
 Strayer, Jacqueline 2027
 Walukas, Kristin* 2029
 Zumwalt, Michelle 2027
 Butler, Henry 2028

Olsen, Craig-Treasurer

Archives Committee

Brumberg, Schaefer, Sue
 Gullicksrud, Lynn
 Running, Sheila
 Schoenknecht, Mary

Caring for Creation

Brian, Roger
 Buske, Lynn
 Mertens, Pat
 Nelson, Kathy

Endowment Trust Board

Becker, Suzanne 2028
 Gullicksrud, Reidar 2028
 Halloin, Karla* 2029
 Hartman, Jeff 2027
 Helgeson, Greg* 2029
 Kurschner, Tom* 2029
 Larson, Peggy 2027
 Pressler, Kris 2027
 Stienessen, Joseph 2028

Friends of Flynn Committee

Dueringer, Vicki
 Gullicksrud, Lynn
 Helgeson, Dan
 Hill-Phelps, Kim
 Keith, Barb
 Knickerbocker, Marlee
 Schoenknecht, Mary
 Ann Yourek - Flynn
 Partner Coordinator

Library Committee

Becker, Suzanne
 Crossman, Gloria
 Dixon, Mary
 Doering, Mary
 Dow, Joanne
 Dueringer, Vicki
 Elworthy, Mary
 Fiedler, Monika
 Jacobson, Sandra
 Lee, Barbara
 Moltzau, Amber
 Nelson, Ann
 Schoenknecht, Mary
 Schorr, Dee
 Stienessen, Dawn
 Wurtzel, Helen

Nominating Committee

Benedict, Tony*
 Halloin, Karla*
 Krause, Terri*
 Mateski, Rick*
 John Schroedel*

Personnel Committee

Glass, Becky* 2029
 Tackmann, Dave 2027
 Walukas, Matt 2028

Preschool Committee

Anderson, Jody
 Bauchle, Katie
 Holtman, Mikayla
 Stokes, Kelly

Serve Committee

Lindau, Joanie
 Marczinke, Sue
 Marcott, Dawn
 Munden, Peggy
 Patterson, Pastor Patrick
 Pederson, Sarah
 Schoenknecht, Mary
 Zumwalt, David

Strive Committee

Buske, Lynn
 Garber, Pat
 Gjesfeld, Kathy
 Mertens, Pat
 Patterson, Pastor Patrick

Women's Giving Circle

Cooper, Jeanne
 Crossman, Gloria
 Dueringer, Vicki
 Endres, Kelly
 Gullicksrud, Lynn
 Halloin, Karla
 Lien, Ginny
 Marcott, Dawn
 Rambo, Mary
 Thompson, Marilyn

***Pending congregational
 vote at 2026-2027 Annual
 Meeting.**

Lead Pastor

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:2

These words written by Paul to the early church in Rome were both an invitation and a charge. He was inviting them into Christ-like living and daily practices, while also charging them with a challenge to look beyond what the society around them was doing. This section of Paul's writing was transformational in the ministry of Martin Luther as he sat in hiding and translated the Bible so common people could understand it too.

Breaking down barriers and creating a world of love and compassion is what Jesus modeled daily during his ministry. Jesus showed how the norms of the day, both religiously and culturally, were out of step with the kingdom of God. People had conformed to expectations of man at the expense of the good, acceptable and perfect way of God. Jesus invited them into a transformational relationship that was based on love, compassion and care for one another.

God's ministry at Trinity is in a constant state of renewal. That renewal takes many forms and is the focus of pastors, staff and elected leaders in very tangible ways. We've worked very specifically on right-sizing and re-aligning our staff to meet the changing needs of the ministry at Trinity. We've tried to get the right people with the right gifts in the right places to serve the needs of the congregation and the community. We've worked to ensure that sufficient resources are available to provide for the facilities and staffing needs necessary to provide excellent ministry. But most of all, we work to make sure each person we reach feels loved, valued and cared for which is the will of God.

It's not always easy or perfect. We get wrapped up in financial considerations that are inherent in running any enterprise, even a church, and may miss opportunities to use those resources to further God's love in our world. We get caught up in protecting the status quo and miss out on how the Holy Spirit is at work at a particular moment. We get so focused on our needs that we lose sight of the needs of others. That is what happens when God gives us humans agency. So, we try again.

The end of the fiscal year provides us an opportunity to look back and take account of what we were able to accomplish together in Christ's name. The beginning of the new year invites us into a season of transformation where we can work as a faith community to discern the will of God – where we are being called.

I look forward to working with my colleague Pastor Tom, our highly capable staff, our gifted elected leaders and the faithful members of our congregation to live out our understanding of the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect. Thank you for being part of that shared discernment.

Peace, Pastor Patrick

Associate Pastor

Dear beloved members of Trinity Lutheran Church,

Grace and peace to you in the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

This year has been one of significant transition and faithful resilience in our Children, Youth, and Family (CYF) Ministry. As we look back over 2024-2025, I want to take a moment to acknowledge both the changes and the many moments of grace that have emerged in their wake.

Staff Transition

Early this year, we said goodbye to Heather Day, who faithfully served as our Director of CYF Ministry and Trinity in a variety of positions for over a decade. We give thanks for her deep commitment to nurturing the faith of our young people and supporting families with compassion and creativity. Her ministry left a lasting impact on our congregation, and we bless her on the next steps of her vocational journey.

Following a period of interim coverage and intentional listening, we were thrilled to welcome Katie Conner in August as our new Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministry. Katie brings both fresh energy and deep wisdom to this role, along with a passion for Christ-centered formation, inclusive community, and equipping families to grow in faith at home and in the world. The Spirit is already moving through this new chapter, and I am excited about the leadership we now share.

Children's Ministry

- Sunday School and Wednesday faith formation for an additional group of 5th-6th graders continued to have positive attendance thanks to our dedicated volunteers.
- We continue to distribute Bibles, hold baptism conversations, communion instruction workshops, and more.
- This late spring and throughout the summer we have experimented with a "Pray Ground." The intention has been for families to have an alternative space within the worship center to sit for littles ones to keep active as the nursery is not staffed during the summer months. I am excited to see what new life it can breathe into our worship space during the traditional program year!

Youth Ministry

- Confirmation included youth in grades 7–8 and continued to focus on Scripture, Lutheran theology, and real-world faith questions. Our small group leaders walked faithfully alongside students and formed amazing relationships.
- The High School Youth Group was revitalized under Heather's leadership, offering space for prayer, play, and meaningful conversation. Katie has already started to build relationships with these youth and we look for continued growth.
- High Schoolers went to St. Louis on a service learning trip during the month of June. They came back with a reinvigorated sense of service for the Eau Claire community and want to integrate that into our high school ministry more intentionally.

Family and Intergenerational Ministry

- In the late winter we held a parenting class/seminar at The Brewing Projekt where we discussed the intersection of parenting and technology, mental health, and faith. This provided a great connection for folks at all stages of parenting and grandparenting and even generated another small group to dive deeper into topics.
- First Sundays, an intergenerational faith formation experience, continued on the first Sunday of each month in lieu of traditional Sunday School. Families discussed faith related topics and had lots of fun in-between worship services.
- Pop up events such as advent decorations, children's museum night, and others occurred throughout the year.

Gratitude and Looking Ahead

I want to express my sincere gratitude to our CYF volunteers, staff, families, and young people for their flexibility, trust, and hope during this year of change. Transitions can be hard—but you met them with faith, and God has been faithful in return.

With Katie now in place, we are entering a season of renewed momentum. In 2025-2026, we look forward to deepening discipleship, strengthening intergenerational relationships, and continuing to build a ministry that reflects the expansive love of God for all ages.

It remains a holy privilege to walk alongside our families, and I give thanks every day for the chance to serve in this ministry with you.

God's Peace,
Pastor Tom Westcott

Children, Youth, & Family Ministry

What an absolute joy and honor it has been to serve as the Children, Youth, and Family Ministry Director this past year! I came into this position with my own set of reservations and some fear of the unknown, but with the support of Pastor Tom, Pastor Patrick, Kim Dewey, Emily Kreiner, and all of the amazing volunteers I've come to know, I do feel that this year was as much of a success as it could have been.

Faith Formation Classes

Faith formation classes for preschool-grade 6 were held weekly throughout the program year. Sunday School started in mid-September and ran through mid-April. We had many returning classroom leaders from last year and had some that were new. Connections (Wednesday evening pre-confirmation program) and Confirmation began in early October and ended mid-April. We had a total of 67 students registered for faith formation age 3 - grade 6 (59 in Sunday School, 8 in Wednesday night Connections) and an additional 38 students registered for Confirmation on Wednesday evenings.

First Sundays – On the first Sunday of each month, starting in October, families were invited to a family faith formation time called First Sundays. These family classes took place of the regular scheduled Sunday School classes on those days, which provided our classroom leaders a break.

Confirmation – Pastor Tom continued to lead our confirmation program for 2025-2026. This year, we had 38 students enrolled in grades 7 and 8. In May, we had 15 students affirm their faith during Trinity's Affirmation of Baptism. I assisted with this service.

Birth to Three

Gift Bags – We continue to give out age appropriate Bibles, typically the Frolic Bibles or Spark Story Bibles, to new babies and young children who are baptized at Trinity, along with a welcome letter and introductory newsletter.

Newsletters – Each month, Emily Kreiner mailed monthly Frolic newsletters to families with children birth - 36 months old. As children are baptized at Trinity, their families are added to the monthly mailing list.

Nursery – The church nursery is open on Sunday mornings, September-May, for children aged 5 and under. Allie Larson continues to work as our nursery attendant, and this year we were blessed with another college student volunteer, Linnea Aelony. Together, they do an incredible job at welcoming families as they drop their kids off at the nursery. They also do a remarkable job at finding new activities and ways to engage these children in playtime. In the future, it is my hope to get a tablet that the nursery attendants can play our livestream so everyone in there can still participate in worship in that way.

High School Ministry

Colorado Adventure Trip – In July, 17 youth and 4 adult chaperones attended the adventure trip to Estes Park, CO. During this time, we were able to explore Rocky Mountain National Park, tour the historic Stanley Hotel, ride the Mustang Mountain Coaster, hike at the YMCA of the Rockies, go fly fishing and horseback riding, and do many other activities. A huge thank you to April Lande, Matt Olson, and Adam Wehling for joining me and helping lead these young people on this trip.

To help fund this trip, these youth participated in the following fundraisers:

- Christmas Wreath – November
- Advent Soup Suppers – December
- Christmas Tree Disposal – January
- Lenten Soup Lunches and Suppers – February/March
- CVASING Bake Sale – March

High School Youth Group – Twice a month, September-May, I invite all high school students to come together on Wednesday evenings to spend time in fellowship. Some highlights of our time together include Friendsgiving, card games, playing 4-square, and anytime there is food involved. This group is very eclectic, energetic, positive, and fun.

Summer Programming

Playground Playtime – Each Thursday in June and July, families were invited to spend time playing together on the Trinity playground in the backyard. We provided sand toys, bikes, cars, and the Library Committee joined us for a time of reading stories and inviting kids to check out books. Kim Dewey co-led this program.

Camp Come & Play – In June, we held Camp Come & Play in the Noah's Ark Classroom. This is a camp opportunity for children aged 2-3. This year, Camp Come & Play was taught by Gina Toutant and Kelly Bruxvoort.

Luther Park Bible Camp – We had 7 youth signed up to attend Luther Park this summer for overnight camps. I was able to spend part of a week there when we had 5 kids there, and I went back to visit for a day when the other two went. Trinity provided partial scholarships to all families, though offered additional scholarships for those in need of financial assistance.

Lutheran Family Swim Night – In July, Trinity and the other ELCA churches in Eau Claire held a Lutheran Family Swim Night at Fairfax Pool. This event was free of charge to families.

Summer Stretch – At the end of June and beginning of July, we held Summer Stretch. We had 8 youth in grades 6-8 and two in grade 10 join us for this week of fun. During our time together, we were able to do some service work in the morning at the Trinity Food Pantry, The Classic,

and Luther Park Bible Camp. In the afternoons, we joined Immanuel and Hope Lutheran Churches to swim at Fairfax Pool, a scavenger hunt at Irvine Park, and for swim time, gaga, and 9-square at Luther Park. Our week ended with a full day at Valleyfair.

Vacation Bible School On Earth as In Heaven

We welcomed close to 100 children for a week of Vacation Bible School at the end of July. We kept our schedule of 9:00am-12:00pm. Our theme this year was On Earth as In Heaven. Each day focused on a different need in the world: zero hunger, good health, quality education, and peace amongst all people. A big thank you to all of our high school counselors, volunteers, station leaders (Alissa Hofer, Andy Hofer, and Katie Wehling), and all of our committees that led our faith in action sessions (the Library Committee, Vicki Dueringer, Sue Marczinke and the food pantry volunteers, and Caring for Creation committee).

Rally Sunday

During worship on Rally Sunday, we offered a backpack blessing for students and teachers going back to school. We continued the tradition of passing out backpack tags to all of the students, teachers, and anyone in the congregation who wanted one. We also distributed Spark Story Bibles to 3-year-old children and newly enrolled Noah's Ark students, and the Connect NRSV Bibles to 3rd grade students.

Holy Communion Instruction

Pastor Tom and I held two classes for children celebrating Holy Communion. In the fall during the Thanksgiving Eve service, we recognized six students in grades 2-5 that completed Holy Communion Instruction. In the spring during the Maundy Thursday service, we recognized 10 first graders that completed Holy Communion Instruction.

Advent Activities

Angel Breakfast (*co-sponsored by Noah's Ark Preschool*) – On Saturday, December 6, 18 children and their special adults joined us for a special breakfast in the Trinity Room. They participated in Advent activities, had a fancy breakfast, and were visited by a real angel! Many thanks to this year's angel – Shania Fiore.

Advent FunFest – After many years of missing the Advent Workshop, Vicki Dueringer and a small group of volunteers brought it back on a smaller scale. Many thanks to all of the volunteers that made this happen!

Other Activities

Trunk or Treat – On Sunday, October 26, from 3:00-5:00pm, Trinity co-hosted a Trunk or Treat event with Immanuel Lutheran Church and Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. This event was hosted at Trinity in our front parking lot. Between the three churches, we had 26 trunks and had 572 congregation members and people from the community come. People with trunks and families expressed a preference of this time compared to previous years, and there is already talk about these three churches doing Trunk or Treat together again next year. Special thanks to Scott and Melany Bartig and Sue Jensen for the outdoor music.

Continuing Education

In January I attended the ELCA Youth Ministry Extravaganza, an annual conference for youth workers. This year, it was held in St. Louis, MO and was incredibly helpful as I dip my feet back into the world that is CYF Ministry. Not only was I able to connect more with other youth workers in the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin, but I was also able to network with people from all over the country to see what they're doing and if there's anything that could work well at Trinity.

Katie Conner

Food Pantry Annual Report

EVENTS/COMMUNITY

An important part of the Food Pantry is establishing partnerships with the community members and businesses. These relationships not only provide resources, but help promote our ministry with those outside of Trinity. Here are highlights of some of these relationships.

- Associated Bank (Eau Claire) has chosen Trinity Food Pantry as part of their community give back for the 4th year. This year they also hosted a food drive.
- Several local businesses/organizations hosted food drives and chose Trinity Food Pantry to donate these items to. They included Fill More Food Pantry (Chapel Heights United Methodist Church), Diamond School of Dance, Faith Church Food Pantry, Stucky Chiropractic, Northwestern Bank, Auto Owners Insurance, Ruby's Pantry (Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd).
- Local churches are supporting Trinity Food Pantry with food donations and volunteering.
 - Immaculate Conception Catholic Schools
 - First Presbyterian Church, with a monthly food drive and with their gardens.
 - Peace Church
 - Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
 - Spirit Lutheran Church is now volunteering as part of their community outreach program.
- Robbins Elementary School hosted their 5th annual food drive and collected 2160 pounds of staple food items for the food pantry shelves. They delivered all food collected, and Fifth Grade students came to the pantry to weigh, sort and shelf all of the donations.

TRINITY SUPPORT

Members of Trinity are very supportive of the Food Pantry ministry, here are some highlights of this support.

- There are nearly 60 Trinity Members who volunteer over 300 hours each month to serve guests at pantries and pick-up food donations at local retailers.
- Several Trinity Members have donated food items to the pantry because of bargain shopping at local grocery stores. Discounted items like peanut butter, salad dressing, pasta sauce and spaghetti pasta.
- Angel Breakfast food drive.
- The members of Trinity donated over 3000 pounds of fresh produce.
- Thousands of bag donations and egg cartons that help with food distribution.
- Friend Fest 2025 dessert auction raised \$1200 for pantry.
- Lefsa makers raised over \$600 donated directly to pantry.
- The annual Reverse Lent and Advent calendars brought in over 1200 pounds of food.

FOOD RESCUE

Volunteers pick-up food donations each week from seven local retailers. This food rescue is a great way to distribute food to guests that would otherwise be disposed of at

these retailers. We currently are rescuing food from the following locations.

- Aldi Inc. donated 23,600 pounds
- HyVee donated 49,600 pounds
- Kwik Trip (Patton St, Golf Rd, Brackett Ave, River Prairie-Altoona, Stop n Go-Birch St) donated 22,500 pounds

GRANTS

Two grants were received this year from Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment and Spirit Lutheran Foundation for a total of \$8000.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Participated in VBS with tours, books about Food Pantries to the younger kids and the older kids packed vegetables, coffee and sorted canned vegetables. All kids helped with special treat bags that were distributed to our guests.
- Food Pantry volunteers participated in the annual Trunk or Treat event and also distributed treat bags to guests.
- Hosted Luke 3:11 during pantry times on three occasions.
- Thanksgiving meal items and thanksgiving greetings were distributed to over 200 guests.
- Greeting cards and candy treat bags were distributed to guests for Christmas and Easter.

ACTIVITY/FINANCIAL 2025-26

Number of families served—8,700

Average number of families served each month—725

Total food costs for year—\$59,000

Current dedicated account balance—\$57,600

Total pounds of food distributed—276,000

Dear Trinity Family,

I want to share my deepest gratitude for your continued support of our food pantry ministry. Thanks to your prayers, donations, and volunteer efforts, we remain a reliable food source for those in need in our community.

Sue Marczinke

Food Pantry Coordinator

Noah's Ark Preschool and Early Childhood Enrichment

Programming

The 2025–2026 school year was filled with learning, growth, and many special moments for the children and families of Noah's Ark Preschool and Early Childhood Enrichment. We began the year with 78 children enrolled in our programs and maintained strong enrollment throughout the year.

Our students learned through play, exploration, and daily experiences with their teachers and classmates. We watched friendships develop, confidence grow, and peacemaking skills strengthen as children learned to work and play together. Throughout the year, children explored God's world through seasonal activities, learned about gratitude and thankfulness, celebrated Advent and Christmas, shared Valentine's Day with friends, and enjoyed many spring learning experiences.

Pastor Tom's visits were a special part of our program and helped children connect Bible stories and faith lessons to their daily lives. Families also joined us throughout the year for Christmas programs, conferences, classroom celebrations, and other special events.

Our Early Childhood Enrichment classes continued to serve younger children and their caregivers through Music and Movement in the fall and Come and Play throughout the year. Open Gym sessions during the winter and spring provided additional opportunities for families to gather and connect.

As the school year came to an end, children celebrated all they had learned through their Spring Party programs and received photo books created by their teachers to help remember their year at Noah's Ark.

Preschool Enrollment and Classes

The following classes were offered during the 2025–2026 school year:

- MWF AM classes for children ages 3–5
- T Th AM classes for children age 3
- M-Th PM class for children ages 3–5
- MW PM class for children ages 4–5

Enrollment remained strong throughout the year, with most classes full or nearly full.

Registration for the 2026–2027 school year opened in the spring and filled quickly. Morning preschool classes were especially popular, and by the end of the school year nearly all registration forms and fees had been received. Only a few openings remained in the Tuesday/Thursday afternoon preschool class. Both Come and Play classes filled quickly, while Music and Movement will continue accepting registrations throughout the summer.

Staffing

This year brought several staffing changes as teachers moved into new roles within our programs. Despite these transitions, our staff worked hard to provide consistency and a smooth experience for children and families.

Our Noah's Ark teaching staff included:

- Gina Toutant: MWF AM and TTh AM classes
- Katie Pribnow: TTh AM class
- Nicole Kaeding: M-Th and MW PM classes
- Kim Dewey: MWF AM class

Our Early Childhood Enrichment staff included:

- Marlee Knickerbocker: Come and Play
- Kelly Bruxvoort: Come and Play, Music and Movement, and Open Gym

We were blessed with a healthy staff this year and needed very few substitute teachers, providing valuable consistency for our students.

In early 2026, Nicole Kaeding and Katie Pribnow submitted their resignations to focus on their growing families. We are grateful for their service to Noah's Ark and wish them God's blessings in this next chapter of life.

Midway through the school year, Marlee Knickerbocker officially announced her official retirement. We are deeply thankful for her many years of faithful service and dedication to our Early Childhood programs. Marlee has graciously agreed to remain available as a substitute teacher when needed.

As we prepared for next year, all teaching positions were successfully filled. Kelly Bruxvoort will transition to Noah's Ark Preschool, and Natasha Durnick will return to Trinity to teach in the Noah's Ark classroom. Grace Park has been hired to teach Come and Play, and Jody Anderson will join the Early Childhood Enrichment team. We look forward to welcoming these staff members and the gifts they will bring to our programs.

Child Care Bridge Grant Funding

Noah's Ark continued to participate in Wisconsin's Child Care Bridge Grant program throughout the school year. These monthly grants, typically ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,000, helped support staffing costs and provided important assistance to our preschool budget. We are thankful for this support and have maintained all required program documentation.

Preschool Committee

We continue to be blessed by a dedicated Preschool Committee. Several new members joined this year and brought enthusiasm, fresh ideas, and a willingness to help.

The committee assisted with fundraising, program promotion, registration planning, volunteer coordination, and discussions about future programming. We are grateful for the time and support they provided throughout the year.

Fundraising

Our fundraising efforts were very successful this year and provided both financial support and opportunities for community building.

- Panera Fundraiser: \$349.29 raised
- Taco Fiesta Fundraiser: More than 250 attendees and over \$4,800 raised through ticket sales, sponsorships, donations, and the silent auction
- Scheels Gives Back Donation: \$1,000 for preschool scholarships
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: \$2,050 raised
- Down to Earth Flower Fundraiser: Approximately \$1,500 raised for future playground improvements and equipment needs

We are grateful to the many families, church members, volunteers, sponsors, and local businesses whose generosity made these events possible.

Special Events

Families enjoyed many special events throughout the year, including Parent Orientation, the Playground Meet and Greet, Trunk or Treat, student photo days, the Angel Breakfast, Christmas programs, Valentine's Day celebrations, parent teacher conferences, Spring Party programs, and summer Playground Playtimes.

These events strengthened relationships between families, staff, and our church community while creating lasting memories for children.

Year End Reflections

As always, the highlight of our year was the children and families we serve. Watching children experience God's love, share that love with one another, and continue to grow as God's peace-makers is the greatest blessing of our work together.

This was my first year serving as Director of Noah's Ark Preschool and ECE Coordinator, and it has been a wonderful experience. I have been blessed to work alongside dedicated teachers, supportive families, and a congregation that values early childhood ministry. Getting to know the children and families in our programs and helping lead such a strong preschool program has been both rewarding and humbling.

As Noah's Ark moves into a new chapter, I pray that Trinity will continue to support this ministry, provide opportunities for growth, and keep our staff, children, and families in your prayers. Thank you to the congregation of Trinity for your continued encouragement, support, and commitment to this important ministry.

Looking Ahead

As we reflect on this school year, we are thankful for God's many blessings. Planning for the 2026–2027 school year is already underway, and we look forward to welcoming both returning and new families. Thank you for your continued prayers, encouragement, and support of Noah's Ark Preschool and Early Childhood Enrichment.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Dewey

Noah's Ark Preschool Director / ECE Coordinator

Parish Nurse

Health Ministries: God invites us to lean on him, to remember that He holds us and we don't need to carry the burdens of the day or keep the weight of worries in our hearts. Knowing this in our head is one thing, living it is another! Remembering God's love for us encourages trust, which allows us to grow in depending on God and resting in the safety of His care. From LFC-NA Connections, Annette Langdon.

Living among God's faithful people:

- Monthly blood pressure screenings: Take place on the second Sunday of each month or one on one as requested. I had several members drop by for a blood pressure check.
- Red Cross Blood Drives: We continue to sponsor 5 blood drives yearly. From June 2025 through June 2026 160 units of blood were donated. That number of units is down from the previous year but still has a huge impact both locally and in other parts of the country. A huge thank you to everyone who donates blood.
- Prayer aids' ministry: Prayer shawls, palm crosses, prayer beads, and pocket prayer shawls are available to all in need of the comfort of prayer. A special thank you to our group of knitters and crocheters and Dennis Aasen (crosses) for continuing to volunteer their time to these projects. These items bring such comfort to the people who receive them.
- Medical resource person: I am here to provide members with health care advice, community resources, end of life concerns, caregiving support and more.
- Monthly newsletter: I include articles on "topics of the month," Caregiver information and support, along with other informational health materials.
- Advent and Lenten Saturday Morning Bible study: I lead both groups during these 2 special times of the church calendar. They are well attended by exceptional people. We now meet

- in between Lent and Advent to create simple craft gifts to donate to Heritage Assisted Living.
- Lenten Lunches: Soup lunch meal provided on Wednesdays following the noon Lenten service. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this possible. And to those eating and enjoying being social. The money donated this year went to cover expenses and to support our youth group's trip to Colorado this summer.
- Lefse Making: A group of talented people volunteered their talent and time the weekend before Thanksgiving to make a lot of lefse! The lefse was sold as a fundraiser for our food pantry.
- Advent Fun Fest (formally Advent workshop): We resurrected this popular program with a few changes. Held on the first Sunday of December. We had around 60 attendees.
- Member contact: Individual member contact has increased involving a variety of needs from answering medical questions to being a safe person to listen to concerns.
- Men with Cancer group: They continue to meet quarterly. This is open to any man who has had, newly diagnosed, or currently in treatment for cancer.
- Work closely with Pat Garber (Visitation Director) in staying updated on members who are hospitalized, in rehab, hospice, homebound, or in facilities.
- Birthday Card ministry: This ministry has grown and brings such joy to our super agers! Marilyn Thompson and her helpers make both birthday and seasonal cards for all our members 87 years old or older. That is 70 members at this time. Being a member of Trinity is good for your health.
- Membership in Lutheran Faith Community Nurse Association: This is a group of Parish Nurses from across the Midwest area of America who meet monthly to share ideas and information. The leadership also provides CEUs throughout the year. This group offers a wealth of information and support.
- Chippewa Valley Area Parish Nurses: We meet 3 time a year to share ideas and what each of our churches is doing. We are partnering with a group of nurses in Chippewa Falls and have established the Chippewa Valley Nurse Honor Guard for funerals of nurses to include Chippewa Falls, Eau Claire and Menomonie areas.
- Preschool teacher yearly review of safety, First Aid and CPR/AED training.
- Continuing Education: I participate in 3-4 classes per year.

Serving all people following the example of Jesus

- Bereavement Ministry: In 2025-2026, 29 family members received bereavement letters throughout the year offering spiritual, emotional support and guidance while grieving the loss of a loved one. Special mailings are sent out at Christmas.
- Healing and Blessing services: Healing services were part of the regular service during the months with 5 Sundays. There are many people carrying burdens that we are unaware of.
- Caregiver Ministry: Emphasis on support and resources for caregivers of the congregation. Articles about caregiving in the monthly newsletter.
- Partnered with ADRC for 2 special programs held at Trinity this past year; Grief and Loss Support Group and Confident Dementia Caregivers both which meet monthly at Trinity.

Thank you for supporting Health Ministries and giving me the opportunity to serve this congregation.

Vicki Dueringer, RN BSN FCN

Visitation Ministry Director

Visitation ministry serves members who are homebound or reside in a facility (assisted living, long-term care, memory care). Visitation offers caring connection to the faith community of Trinity through personal contact and delivery of communion (as well as bulletins, devotionals, or other church documents). Similar to previous years, the number of members served remains at about 50, which fluctuates periodically.

Compassion is a key aspect of effective visitation. As directed in Colossians 3:12-14, we should clothe ourselves with "compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience . . . above all . . . with love." And subsequently, active listening will follow, as noted in Exodus 22:27 "I will listen, for I am compassionate." Being listened to can convey affirmation of a person's innate value. Rather than having experiences and consequent feelings dismissed, the impact on life is acknowledged and recognized through being fully heard.

A result of close listening is learning of some unfortunate conditions of current health care. Stories have been heard of being "hospitalized" in curtained space in a supply room or parking garage and without personal toileting facilities. Even being sent to a distant community for emergency treatment of a cardiac event has been described. The experience of having lived through such situations is validated by empathic listening and is a hoped-for outcome of visitation. Validation helps ease the burden of the experience.

The staff visitation team consists of Pastor Patrick Patterson, Pastor Tom Westcott, Nurse Vicki Dueringer, and myself. Plus, a team of 15 volunteer visitors each faithfully provided visits (about once monthly) to one or more members. Volunteers are prepared for their role through attendance at an orientation session. For 2025-2026 volunteer visitors include Roxie Berg, Carla Brandrup, Faye Deich, Kathy Gjesfjeld, Phyllis Grohn, Greg Helgeson, Pat Kress, Dawn Marcott, Helen Mateski, Sheri Peterson, Judy Pielhop, Bob Schoenknecht, and Mary Schoenknecht. Additionally, on-site assistance to visitation ministry (at The Classic) is provided by Pastor Jack Olson and Karen Metzgar. These volunteers should be recognized for their compassion and time devoted to "walking with" those unable to personally attend services at their faith community. Give them a hearty thanks!

It remains my privilege and honor to serve in this ministry.

Pat Garber, RN, MSN, PhDC, HTP, PN
Director of Visitation Ministry

Worship and Music

I officially took over the role of Worship and Music Coordinator at the beginning of September 2025. In the summer of 2025, Trinity moved from using PowerPoint presentations for worship services to a program called ProPresenter. Over the past few months, I've been learning the program and how to better utilize it during our worship services, both in person and on our live streams. I've been working with our very knowledgeable group of volunteers who help with our A/V booth on Sunday mornings, and we have been working together to improve the audio and visual quality of our worship services. This past spring, I began meeting with A/V vendors to obtain quotes for installing new cameras, new speakers, and LED video walls in the worship center. These upgrades will greatly improve the quality of the audio and visual aspects of our worship services.

In addition to the technical side of worship, I have been able to coordinate with Trinity's choir directors throughout the year. Each of them worked extremely hard with their choirs to provide beautiful musical offerings throughout the year. Trinity has many very talented members who work to bring beautiful music to our worship services each week!

Gary Rambo directed the Trinity Choir, which provides special music each week during the traditional services (except for when the Trinity Tollers play), as well as during holiday services. A Trinity favorite is the Christmas Cantata that the choir puts on every year! The Trinity Choir is open to 9th graders through adults. Gary also helped facilitate the Scholarship Singers program. Gary and the other choir members provided the students with guidance on how church choirs function, and the students were able to sing with the choir while also being on a rotation for cantoring for the traditional services.

Corinne Gransee-Paral directed Totally Joyous Christians (TJC), which is the choir for 3rd-8th graders. Haley Corcoran directed God's Little Singers (GLS), which is the choir for 4K-2nd graders. Each choir provided special music throughout the year, and the choirs were able to come together as one large youth choir on Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Easter, and for the children's musical in April. Haley has accepted a teaching position in Madison for the fall, so she will not be able to continue as GLS director. We thank her for her time spent here with GLS the past few years and wish her well on her next adventure!

Andy Hofer directed the youth band, CrossWord, as they led the music for contemporary services once a month throughout the past year. Even with only two students this past year, they were still able to provide great music for worship! CrossWord band is open to 7th-12th graders. This is a fantastic opportunity for young musicians to learn worship music and grow their musical and leadership skills.

Heidi Wildes directed the Trinity Tollers this past year. The Tollers are a handbell choir, which provides special music once a month during the traditional services, as well as during holiday services. The Trinity Tollers is open to 7th graders through adults. We are thankful to have the Tollers provide beautiful handbell music throughout the year!

I also had the pleasure of directing the Trinity praise team. The praise team is comprised of an incredibly talented group of volunteer musicians who enjoy coming together each week to lead the music for our contemporary services. During the summer, the praise team also plays at Phoenix Park when Trinity leads worship for Praise in the Park. The praise team is open to 9th graders through adults.

I would like to recognize Brian Pressler, who serves as our organist/pianist for our traditional services. Brian works tirelessly throughout the year to make sure the organ and all of the pianos in the building are well-maintained, helps coordinate the brass choirs for holidays, and works with the cantors to lead music for our traditional services.

I want to thank all of the volunteers who work very hard to make our worship services function smoothly, such as the ushers, communion helpers, readers, altar guild, and anyone else who works to serve the congregation through their time and efforts.

I am looking forward to another great year of wonderful music and worship opportunities!

Sue Jensen
Worship and Music Coordinator

Council President

Dear Trinity Lutheran Members and Friends,

When I sit down to write this reflection, I am filled with an overwhelming sense of gratitude. I am continually amazed by how the Holy Spirit moves through the people of Trinity. Whether through our Sunday worship, our fellowship, or our outreach into the Eau Claire community, your faithfulness and generosity have allowed us to be a tangible expression of God's grace.

As we navigated both the joys and challenges of this past year, your Congregational Council has been honored to serve and lead. I want to extend my deepest thanks to our dedicated ministers, our church staff, and my fellow council members. Their countless hours of planning, budgeting, and discerning have been a true blessing to our Trinity community.

This annual report highlights exactly what it means to be a vibrant church, working toward our shared vision of "Serving in Christ's Love and Sharing the Good News." In this report, you will find summaries of our ministries, financial updates, and stories of our impact both inside and outside of Trinity. While the numbers and statistics provide a clear snapshot of our operations, the true heart of Trinity Lutheran is found in our congregation. Thank you for your continued support through your prayers, presence, service, and financial gifts.

As we look to the year ahead, we will continue to listen to where God is calling us to serve our neighbors and grow in faith. We are always in need of new voices, talents, and hands to help carry out our mission. If you feel called to serve on a committee, volunteer your time, or join the church council, I encourage you to reach out.

Thank you for being such a vital part of this family of faith. Let us continue to lean on God's promises and move forward together with joy, love, and hope.

Yours in Christ,

Karla Halloin
Council President
Trinity Lutheran Church

Archives Committee

The Trinity Archives Committee members for 2025–2026 were Lynn Gullicksrud, Sheila Running, Sue Brumberg Schaefer, and Mary Schoenknecht

Purpose: The archives committee of a congregation is primarily concerned with collecting and appraising, preserving and protecting, arranging and describing, and making accessible original historical documents and records of the congregation. - From the Archives of the ELCA

The committee met as necessary to do the following tasks:

- Update the Historical Timeline of Trinity Lutheran Congregation by adding entries for 2024 and 2025, incorporating significant information from previous years, and preparing the timeline for posting on the Trinity website.
- Add current Confirmation Class pictures to the panel display in the lobby.

Committee members met with individuals interested in Trinity's history and provided support for related projects.

Support for Hmong Resettlement Documentary:

In the fall, Mary Schoenknecht met with McKenna Scherer, managing editor of Volume One magazine, and Alex Barber, videographer, along with Charles Vue. She provided photographs and historical information from the Trinity Archives about the Moua and Vue families for the documentary *A Half Century Home: 50 Years of Hmong Resettlement in Eau Claire*. Mary also arranged an interview session for the documentary with Rev. Jack Olson, who was lead pastor at Trinity Lutheran when the Moua family first arrived, and coordinated the meeting with McKenna and Alex. The documentary premiered at the Pablo Center on April 16, 2026.

50-Year Celebration for the Moua Family's Arrival:

With support from Pastor Patrick Patterson, Charles Vue, and members of the Vue family, the congregation honored Kay and Houa Moua and their family on Sunday, April 12, during worship services and at a reception that followed. Trinity Lutheran had been chosen to sponsor the Moua family when they arrived at the Chippewa Valley Regional Airport on April 9, 1976. Pastor Jack Olson, Pastor Andy Boe, Joan Boe, and several members of the Trinity congregation were there to welcome them and help bring them to their first home in the Eau Claire area. That beginning grew into a meaningful and lasting relationship between Trinity and the Moua family, making the 50-year anniversary a fitting time to celebrate

Caring For Creation

Caring for the Earth has become of critical concern for all of humanity. We are in a climate crisis that could lead to catastrophes for the Earth and all living things. The 1991 ELCA statement has more important relevancy today than ever, "...It calls and summons each of us, in every aspect of our lives to behave in ways that are consistent with the long-term sustainability of our planet. We pray, therefore, for creativity and dedication to live more gently with the Earth."

CARING FOR CREATION ACTIVITIES:

- The Caring for Creation Committee participates in the Interfaith Green Team, through the Environmental Task Force under the JONAH organization.

- At FriendFest, last September, composting was available through Earthbound Services as a one-time event. As a first-time event, the results were not as good as hoped. The Food Trucks did not have compostable dinnerware. It also takes time for the public to learn the routine.
- Electronic Recycling Collection continues (Batteries Cell Phones, Eyeglasses, Christmas Lights. The Earth Care Committee takes the items to the First-Choice Recycling Center.
- Composting is ongoing with the Food Pantry, and some church food waste has been added to the compost bin. Earthbound Compost Services is used.
- A Christmas display was part of the Christmas Celebration to remind us of God's love for us and creation.
- Earth Day Celebration Sunday: An Earth Day display provided Information pamphlets on Composting; Ways to recycle, and Upcoming Events related to Earth Day. Trinity Library provided books for children and adults both non-fiction and fiction on topics of the earth and environment.
- The Pre-school small native garden is being maintained.
- The composter is in place for the pre-school to use for compostable snacks.

Trinity Woods Restoration Project

- In Fall 2025 and Spring 2026 2 large trailer loads of brush (including tree branches and invasive plant debris) were taken to the Eau Claire County Brush Site.
- In Spring 2026, pine and serviceberry trees were planted. Gary Rambo has taken down and cleared away dead ash and undesirable invasive plants.
- Don Peterson is helping keep invasives (garlic mustard) down by mowing the area of these plants.
- This spring, Caring for Creation (Roger Brian) hosted youth group under the guidance of Katie Connor for a fire side chat about the beauty of a forest.
- More native trees (pine and serviceberry) were planted in the Trinity Woods.
- The small native plant garden in Trinity Woods is being maintained, and new plants/trees will be added this summer.
- The Caring for Creation Team will participate in the Vacation Bible School's program with the theme On Earth as it is in Heaven. The youth will learn about caring for God's creation and will have hands on activities that care for God's creation in the Trinity Woods and at the Pre-school small garden.

New Bulletin Boards were made for Clipboard Central and the main office area that provide information on earth related events and earth care that promotes sustainability and biodiversity.

Future Goals:

- To continue current activities
- To expand composting at Trinity churchwide
- Study the possibility of solar panels at Trinity

Submitted by Pat Mertens

Caring for Creation Committee: Roger Brian, Kathy Nelson, Lynn Buske, Pat Mertens

Friends of Flynn Committee

The work of the Friends of Flynn committee is to meet the needs of students at Flynn Elementary School. Through an annual fundraiser in the spring, and generous donations throughout the year, we strive to support the needs of the school. We wrote monthly articles for the Trinity newsletter to keep everyone informed about what we're doing.

This year we helped the Flynn Food pantry, to supplement the monthly delivery from Feed My People, by not only purchasing food to contribute to it, but we also gave our time. Beginning in January we had at least two members of our committee meet weekly at Flynn to pack the food distributed to the families who need it.

We also supplied some healthy snacks to Flynn in the fall and in the spring for the testing period.

We received a grant of \$1000 from the Trinity Endowment fund to help us in supplying food for the pantry. We also had been gifted two Community Impact cards, of \$250 each, from Thrivent and used those for the food pantry and to purchase books for the children.

We gave "forever" books to the students three times during the school year: Christmas, Spring break and at the end of the school year. The children loved to receive the books along with a pair of Bombas socks given to each child. During late summer and fall we collected school supplies for the children. We have received help with both of these projects from our congregation and we thank you.

We also supported the staff of Flynn for their hard work by bringing them special snacks of candy bars in the fall and bagels and cream cheese during the last week of school.

In March, we were saddened to lose one of our longtime members, Ginny Lien. She provided so much to our committee and worked tirelessly to help Flynn. She will be greatly missed. We received a significant amount of donations in her memory; we will continue our efforts in her honor. Jessica Hoff worked as a partnership coordinator with the district for several years and has been a member of our committee as our liaison from Flynn. Unfortunately, her position with the district was eliminated at the end of the 2026 school year. She worked closely with the committee keeping us up to date on any needs at Flynn and she trained us to work in the school pantry. She was an asset to our committee and will be missed. Our new liaison from Flynn will be Ann Yourek, a social worker at Flynn. We welcome her and look forward to working with her.

We want to take this time to thank the Trinity congregation and everyone who has donated to our group to assist us in purchasing the books and school supplies we gave. We appreciate the help and support you give us as we support the needs of the students at Flynn!

Friends of Flynn committee consists of Vicki Dueringer, Barb Keith, Lynn Gullicksrud, Dan Helgeson, Marlee Knickerbocker, Kim Hill-Phelps, and Mary Schoenknecht, along with our liaison from Flynn Elementary, Ann Yourek.

Submitted by Barb Keith

Library Committee

Members of the Trinity Library Committee were as follows: Suzanne Becker, Gloria Crossman, Mary Dixon, Mary Doering, Joanne Dow, Vicki Dueringer, Mary Elworthy, Monika Fiedler, Sonnie Jacobson, Barbara Lee, Amber Moltzau, Ann Nelson, Mary Schoenknecht, Dee Schorr, Dawn Stienessen, and Helen Wurtzel. Ann Nelson served as chairman.

Regular meetings were held on the second Monday of the month in September through May to discuss the various facets of library business, special events, and promotions. Workdays were scheduled for the fourth Monday of the month or as needed to complete such tasks as processing new books, changing out displayed books, and sending out over-due notices. Members took turns serving as librarian of the month and sharing devotions at the regular meetings. They recorded statistical information on all items checked out, checked in returned items and re-shelved them. Monthly articles were submitted to the Trinity Newsletter, and the nursery hallway bulletin board was updated to feature new books and promotions. A new fall promotion, "Do You Know," was introduced. Periodic Trinity Library notices were prepared for Sunday bulletins, Friday eblasts, and other publications.

Goals for 2025-2026 were discussed and the following were adopted:

- Promotion of Women's Month in March - completed
- New book display purchase - completed
- Consider DVD shelf use/reuse – needed further discussion
- Consider purchasing a wheeled display shelf for the lobby – received grant to purchase a book truck
- Clean library workroom – on going
- Cull more fiction books – completed during inventory
- Remove the card catalog - completed

Special Events

- Copies of the book selections for Trinity's Book Club were purchased, identified with a special label, and placed in the library for circulation.
- The library participated in the annual Trunk or Treat event in October 2025 sponsored by the Trinity CYF Ministry.
- World Kindness Day on November 13 was celebrated during the first two weeks of November. Books with a kindness theme were pulled and put on display, the hallway bulletin board displayed book covers, and related bookmarks were available on the desk.
- The library was decorated for Christmas 2025, and the extensive collection of Christmas books was put on display. Sunday School classes were invited to the library to check-out books. Committee members were on hand to assist and hand out prizes.
- Sunday School classes were invited to the library on March 8, 2026 for Dr. Seuss Sunday to check out books. Committee members were on hand to assist.
- Trinity's Earth Day Celebration was held in April, and a display of Caring for Our Earth books were moved to the lobby near other displays from the Trinity GreenTeam. Copies of the book list, Caring for Our Earth, were made available.
- Summer Story Time was offered on Sunday mornings in June - Committee members were on hand to read to young children, help them check out books, and hand out prizes.
- Playground Play Time on Thursday mornings met 6 times in June and July 2026. For each session, a cart of books for children to read and check out was taken to the playground by committee members.

Collection Development. Committee members made book-purchasing visits to Books-A-Million and Dotters Books, as well as Northwind Bookstore in Spooner. Each store provided a 20% discount on purchases. Donated materials that met Trinity Library criteria were also added to the collection.

Inventory and Review. The annual inventory and collection review took place in March and April. As of the end of June 2026, inventory records indicated that Trinity Library contained more than 3,000 books and DVDs.

Funding and Purchases. Trinity Lutheran Church General Fund provided \$1,200 for library needs. Additional support was received through memorial gifts and donations. These funds were used to purchase new library books, supplies, and promotional materials. Mary Dixon applied for and received a \$250 Community Impact Card from Thrivent to boost the collection of the popular Dog Man graphic novels. Suzanne Becker applied for and received a \$750 grant from Trinity's Women's Giving Circle to purchase a Jonti-Craft six-section mobile book organizer for board books and other thin books that do not fit well on standard shelves. She also received a \$1,000 grant from the Trinity Endowment Trust to purchase a book truck that can be easily moved to the lobby for display.

Report submitted by Mary Schoenknecht, Library Committee Member

Noah's Ark Preschool Committee

The Noah's Ark Preschool Committee is made up of present and former Noah's Ark parents. Each member serves between a one to three year rotating term. This school year, the following people served on this committee: Ashley Starck, Brook Taylor, Mikayla Holtman, Katie Bauchle, Rebecca Sanderfoot, Beth Abing, Kaitlen Gullicksrud, Jody Anderson, and Kelly Stokes. Special thanks to Kaitlen, Ashley, Brook, Beth and Rebecca who completed their term in May. Our committee is seeking new members to join our committee in September 2026.

The committee meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month from September through May. It serves as an advisory board to Noah's Ark Preschool. Responsibilities include reviewing the school calendar, fundraising events, budget, and recommendation of tuition rates and other fees to the council for approval.

This year, specific tasks of the committee included:

- Ongoing promotion of Noah's Ark at Trinity and within the community
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- Assisted in the planning and implementation of the following fundraisers: one Chipotle night, the Fall Taco Fiesta Fundraiser, the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, and a Down To Earth Flower sale. A silent auction of themed baskets was included as part of the taco fiesta. Committee members coordinated and put the baskets together and helped with coordinating everything online.
- Monthly meetings September-May
- Program/schedule brainstorming and input for 2026-2027 school year
- Tuition and fee recommendation/input for 2026-2027 school year
- Ongoing support, input, and feedback to the Noah's Ark staff

Respectfully submitted,
Kaitlen Gullicksrud

Serve Committee

The Serve Committee has completed three and one half years of service. The committee meets monthly on the third Tuesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. Our mission statement is to “Serve all people following the example of Jesus.”

Committee Members: Phyllis Grohn, Sue Marczinke, Dawn Marcott, Peggy Munden, Pastor Patrick Patterson, Sarah Pederson and Mary Schoenknecht. Special thanks to the outgoing committee members, Dave Hayman and Terri Krause.

The Serve Committee supported several community partnerships such as: Family Promise (Beacon House), Friends of Flynn, Trinity Lutheran Church Food Pantry, Inclusive Ministry (IM) Church, Community Table, Sojourner House, and Good Neighbor Team.

The Committee and Food Pantry worked closely to distribute Thanksgiving food over the Thanksgiving Holiday. The 2025 Christmas Sharing Project was run by the Serve Committee this year. We served 17 families this year.

Thank you for your donations for the Thanksgiving Drive and Christmas Sharing Project over the past year.

If you are interested in joining the Serve Team, please reach out to Peggy Munden at peggymunden1@gmail.com.

Strive Committee

Current Strive Members: Pastor Patrick Patterson, Trinity’s Caring for Creation Committee chair – Pat Mertens, JONAH members - Kathy Gjesfjeld and Patricia Garber, and Lynn Buske – current council member. We would love for folks passionate about peace and justice to join us!

We have a brown bag lunch meeting every month on the 4th Tuesday at 12pm to discuss upcoming dates surrounding peace and justice issues that affect Trinity and our community. Our bulletin board is outside the church office for the congregation to stay informed on peace and justice work at Trinity and beyond.

At our meetings we hear updates from JONAH* and support their work, we talk through Caring for Creation activities, we discuss recent events and how Trinity is poised to advocate, we continue to find ways to carry out Trinity’s commitment to be a Reconciling in Christ (RIC)** congregation and our commitment to antiracism*** work, and more.

Things we have done this year:

- Hosted the local Palm Sunday Path activity: faith voices standing up for “the least of these” affected by recent policies.
- Also hosted a press conference organized by area clergy about fair and safe elections.
- We partnered with WCC on poll chaplain training and efforts.
- Our team initiated rolling bulletin boards on important justice topics to increase congregation understanding, which the rest of JONAH has adopted.
- Supported the Hmong Refugee Celebration.
- Continue to engage in collaboration to support Latinx community needs.

- Provided space and volunteer time for the JONAH mental health-related pancake brunch.
- Paid for Trinity's JONAH yearbook ad, and keep representatives on their board.
- Volunteered for some JONAH activities and sit on their Voices United civic engagement task force.
- Advocated for an Earth Sunday.

*JONAH is the local interfaith organization that unites people and congregations to collaborate on problems people in our community face due to system challenges. Trinity is a member – 18+ other congregations across the Chippewa Valley are as well.

**Since 1983, the Reconciling in Christ (RIC) program has been a public way for faith communities to see, name, celebrate, and advocate for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions in the Lutheran church.

***Antiracism works to counter racial prejudice, systemic racism, and the oppression of specific racial groups.

Our future goals include advocacy around ageism, as well as continuing our current efforts, and remaining open to other needs that support our congregation's interest and needs as well as our community beyond. We firmly believe we can create more peace and justice!

Women' Giving Circle

The Women's Giving Circle (WGC) operates as a fund of the Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Trust Fund. We are a group of individuals who have established a donor advised fund with the Endowment Trust Fund. Our mission is to demonstrate God's love by positively impacting people's lives through collective philanthropy and awarding of financial gifts.

The 2025-2026 WGC board members are: Gloria Crossman, Jeanne Cooper, Vicki Dueringer, Kelly Endres, Lynn Gullicksrud, Karla Halloin, Marti Hofer, Mary Rambo and Marilyn Thompson.

We began 2025 with a membership of 37 and an opening balance of \$103,305. Our fiscal year follows the same as the church calendar, July 1 to June 30. As a board, we plan two annual meetings for our membership. At our fall meeting, we present the grant requests we received to our membership and vote as a group on which grants to award. We enjoy brunch and fellowship. On April 18, we held two Spring meetings following each service in the choir room. The spring gathering focuses on encouraging membership and gives us an opportunity to hear from some available grant recipients. This year we heard speakers representing Family Literacy, Red House of Hope, Trinity Choir, Library, Prayer Shawl Ministry, and Advent Workshop. These speakers shared their thanks and how our grants assist them in carrying out their missions.

The Endowment Trust advised us that we had \$9,991 available to grant in the Fall of 2025. We received 8 grant requests totaling \$12,750. The following grants were approved:

Name	Request	Suggested	Additional	Total	Purpose
Prayer Shawl Ministry	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$500	\$1,000	Yarn
Advent Workshop	\$ 400	\$ 400		\$ 400	Supplies
Trinity Library	\$ 750	\$ 750		\$ 750	2 Shelving Units

Trinity Choir	\$ 300	\$ 300		\$ 300	Repair/Clean robes
Altoona Compassion	\$ 1,000	\$1,000	\$341	\$1,341	Food
WELCA Ladies Retreat	\$ 800	\$ 800		\$ 800	Speaker
Red House of Hope	\$ 1,000	\$1,000	\$400	\$1,400	Training/Materials
Family Literacy ELL	<u>\$ 8,000</u>	<u>\$4,000</u>		<u>\$4,000</u>	Classes/Childcare
Total	\$12,750	\$8,750		\$9,991	

At our spring meeting, three names were presented and voted on to serve a 3-year term starting in July of 2026. Our new member will be Dawn Marcott, and two current members have agreed to serve a second term; Jeanne Cooper and Lynn Gullicksrud. I, Marti Hofer, will be finishing my six years on the board. This group has been a pure pleasure to work with. The Women's Giving Circle has just completed its 11th year, and we are proud to have awarded **\$75,587** in grants to make a positive impact on lives and share God's love in our community.

Marti Hofer

Endowment Trust Fund

Trinity's Endowment Trust Fund was created to proclaim and propagate the Christian faith through Trinity, to fund projects that may be of special concern to Trinity, to provide for capital improvements to the property of Trinity, and to repay loans made by Trinity. The mission statement adopted by the trust is *"To serve God's people in Christ's name by providing financial foundations to the ministries and missions of Trinity Lutheran Church for all generations."* Funds that are held in the trust are invested for long-term growth and income with the intention of allowing the principal to grow and the income to be used to fulfill the purposes and mission of the trust.

Grants totaling \$75,595 were made from the trust in the fiscal year 2026 for the period of July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026, to fund the following requests:

- Trinity Youth Trip
- Trinity Health Ministries – Prayer Shawls
- Trinity Noah's Ark Preschool
 - Scholarships
 - Quiet Corner
 - Day Camp
 - Storage and Shelving
- Trinity Food Pantry
- Trinity Quilters
- Trinity Thanksgiving Dinner
- Trinity St. John's Bible Tour
- Trinity Library
- Trinity Sensory Room
- Trinity/UWEC Honors College Learning Partnership
- Trinity Worship Equipment
- Feed My People
- Empowered Guatemala Student Supplies
- Luther Park Solar Array Education Resources
- One Better Way Day Resource Center

The Endowment Trust Fund exists thanks to generous contributions from members of Trinity, and the members of the trust board want to use this opportunity to say thank you to all who contributed to the endowment trust during the fiscal year ending 2026. Gifts to the Trust can be made both during one's lifetime and through estates. More information can be found on Trinity's website at the web address below.

http://www.trinity-ec.org/endowment_fund/

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeff Hartman – Endowment Committee Chair

Endowment Trust Fund Portfolio Summary		
	Year End	Year End
Assets		
Checking/Money Market – Regular	\$40,684	\$34,543
Checking/Money Market – Rental House	\$26,636	\$7,513
Investments	\$1,775,888	\$2,460,182
Rental House #1 – 1413 E Clairemont	\$325,800	\$0
Rental House #2 – 1408 E Lexington	\$209,000	\$0
Total Assets	\$2,378,009	\$2,502,238
Liabilities		
Grants Payable	\$26,451	\$5,000
Grants Payable – Women's Giving Circle	\$0	\$0
Total Liabilities	\$0	\$0
Equity	\$2,351,558	\$2,497,238
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$2,378,009	\$2,502,238

Budgeted Financial Statement

Proposed Budget

	2025-2026	2025-2026	2026-2027
	Budget	Actual	Proposed
<u>INCOME</u>			
<u>OFFERING</u>			
General Envelopes	\$1,069,996.00	\$928,860.85	\$1,043,135.00
Loose Offerings	\$12,000.00	\$14,540.41	\$14,000.00
Lenten Offering	\$12,000.00	\$16,528.00	\$16,500.00
Thanksgiving Offering	\$1,200.00	\$1,168.00	\$1,200.00
Advent Offering	<u>\$25,000.00</u>	<u>\$20,618.00</u>	<u>\$21,000.00</u>
Total OFFERING	\$1,120,196.00	\$981,715.26	\$1,095,835.00
<u>OTHER</u>			
Missionary Outreach	\$12,000.00	\$3,661.00	\$4,000.00
Interest Income	\$5,000.00	\$6,443.87	\$5,000.00
Initial Offering	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other	<u>\$8,000.00</u>	<u>\$6,538.91</u>	<u>\$8,000.00</u>
Total OTHER	\$25,600.00	\$16,643.78	\$17,000.00
<u>PRESCHOOL</u>			
PS Tuition	\$95,600.00	\$85,640.00	\$88,000.00
PS Fundraisers	\$7,000.00	\$7,731.16	\$8,000.00
PS Additional Gifts	\$0.00	\$1,606.65	\$0.00
PS Child Care Counts Grant	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$15,584.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total PRESCHOOL	\$102,600.00	\$110,561.81	\$96,000.00
<u>DAY CAMP</u>			
DC Tuition	\$15,000.00	\$14,950.01	\$13,650.00
Total DAY CAMP	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$14,950.01</u>	<u>\$13,650.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,263,396.00	\$1,123,870.86	\$1,222,485.00
<u>EXPENSES</u>			
<u>OUTREACH</u>			
NW Synod of WI	\$53,500.00	\$53,499.96	\$53,500.00
Missionary Support	\$18,500.00	\$12,333.33	\$13,875.00
Luther Park Bible Camp	\$6,100.00	\$5,879.96	\$6,100.00
Carelink	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Family Promise of CV	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
The Community Table	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Foster Grandparent Food	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sojourner House	\$850.00	\$850.00	\$850.00
Trinity Food Pantry	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Reconciling in Christ	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
JONAH	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Neighbor to Neighbor	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Day Resource Center	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
Total OUTREACH	\$95,250.00	\$88,063.25	\$94,825.00

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	2025-2026 Budget	2025-2026 Actual	2026-2027 Proposed
WORD & SACRAMENT			
Pastor Salaries	\$107,808.00	\$107,613.87	\$113,600.00
Pastors Housing	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00
Pastor Car Allowances	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Continuing Ed Lead Pastor	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Continuing Ed Associate Pastor	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
ELCA Benefits	\$97,059.00	\$101,077.10	\$107,000.00
Social Security Offset	\$14,750.00	\$14,735.31	\$14,750.00
Professional Expenses	<u>\$1,200.00</u>	<u>\$908.12</u>	<u>\$1,200.00</u>
Total WORD & SACRAMENT	\$315,317.00	\$318,834.40	\$331,050.00
CHILDREN YOUTH & FAMILY			
CYF Salary/Benefits	\$75,570.00	\$58,833.32	\$72,000.00
CYF Cont Ed	\$2,000.00	\$2,396.81	\$2,000.00
CYF Volunteer Recognition	\$500.00	\$256.34	\$500.00
CYF Curriculum	\$3,000.00	\$2,028.64	\$3,000.00
CYF Events	\$3,000.00	\$1,002.94	\$3,000.00
CYF Supplies/Misc	\$1,700.00	\$1,652.14	\$1,700.00
CYF Resources	\$1,200.00	\$213.92	\$1,200.00
CYF Scholarships	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
CYF Milestone Ministry	\$1,500.00	\$1,404.67	\$1,500.00
CYF Trips	\$2,750.00	\$2,610.00	\$2,750.00
CYF Young Adult	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$20.86</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>
Total CHILDREN YOUTH & FAMILY	\$92,720.00	\$71,419.64	\$89,150.00
WORSHIP & MUSIC			
W&M Salaries/Benefits	\$91,189.00	\$54,834.62	\$66,000.00
W&M Director Cont Ed	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
W&M Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$1,071.86	\$0.00
W&M Copyrights	\$2,000.00	\$2,127.45	\$0.00
W&M Contract Musicians	\$2,000.00	\$3,175.00	\$4,000.00
W&M Instrument Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$855.00	\$2,000.00
W&M Youth Band	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
W&M JAM Resources	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
W&M GLS Resources	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
W&M TJC Resources	\$250.00	\$724.51	\$0.00
W&M Volunteer Appreciation	\$400.00	\$418.91	\$1,000.00
W&M Resources	\$6,300.00	\$4,319.13	\$15,000.00
W&M Art & Decoration	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
W&M Subs	\$2,000.00	\$175.00	\$0.00
W&M Leader Wednesday	<u>\$2,606.00</u>	<u>\$2,446.75</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total WORSHIP & MUSIC	\$111,895.00	\$70,648.23	\$90,000.00

Budgeted Financial Statement

Proposed Budget

	2025-2026 Budget	2025-2026 Actual	2026-2027 Proposed
FACILITY MAINTENANCE			
Custodians Salary/Benefits	\$83,966.00	\$72,004.92	\$75,000.00
Capital Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$1,685.64	\$2,000.00
Insurance	\$14,000.00	\$14,214.97	\$15,000.00
Xcel	\$45,000.00	\$40,012.55	\$40,000.00
Snow Removal	\$9,700.00	\$10,550.00	\$11,000.00
Lawn Care	\$2,000.00	\$2,642.75	\$2,000.00
Kitchen Supplies	\$1,500.00	\$476.21	\$1,500.00
Property Maintenance	\$28,000.00	\$27,999.96	\$28,000.00
Computer Maintenance	\$8,500.00	\$4,104.51	\$8,500.00
Custodial Supplies	\$8,000.00	\$7,430.10	\$8,000.00
Telephones	\$2,000.00	\$1,666.01	\$2,000.00
Water/Sewer	\$6,000.00	\$6,832.55	\$7,000.00
Waste Removal	<u>\$3,800.00</u>	<u>\$4,223.67</u>	<u>\$4,000.00</u>
Total FACILITY MAINTENANCE	\$213,466.00	\$193,843.84	\$204,000.00
PROGRAM/ADMINISTRATION			
Support Staff Salary/Benefits	\$151,641.00	\$119,091.32	\$186,000.00
Office Supplies	\$7,750.00	\$4,768.28	\$6,000.00
Office Capital Equipment	\$3,000.00	\$5,415.64	\$6,000.00
Maintenance Contracts	\$12,000.00	\$14,186.67	\$14,000.00
Software Resources	\$6,000.00	\$6,050.33	\$6,000.00
Conferences & Assemblies	\$2,000.00	\$746.45	\$2,000.00
Employer FICA	\$35,399.00	\$25,366.75	\$30,500.00
Workers Comp Insurance	\$7,150.00	\$5,143.25	\$7,000.00
Offering Envelopes	\$1,000.00	\$592.93	\$1,000.00
Internet Access	\$3,500.00	\$1,611.52	\$2,000.00
Advertising	\$700.00	\$492.71	\$500.00
Postage	\$5,000.00	\$4,468.93	\$5,000.00
Admin Misc	\$800.00	\$594.02	\$800.00
Mileage Reimbursement	\$1,500.00	\$484.47	\$1,500.00
Admin Volunteer Appreciation	\$300.00	\$20.00	\$300.00
Financial Processing	\$7,000.00	\$9,330.77	\$10,000.00
Food Pantry Coord Salary	<u>\$19,182.00</u>	<u>\$19,162.50</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total PROGRAM/ADMINISTRATION	\$263,922.00	\$217,526.54	\$278,600.00
LIFE & GROWTH			
Outreach/Evangelism	\$400.00	\$225.98	\$400.00
Care & Concern	\$1,500.00	\$138.18	\$1,500.00
Stewardship Committee	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Daily Devotions	\$2,500.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,500.00
Living Lutheran Magazine	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00
Congregational Events	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Archives Committee	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Library Committee	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00

Budgeted Financial Statement Proposed Budget

	2025-2026 Budget	2025-2026 Actual	2026-2027 Proposed
Media & Marketing	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Visitation Director Salary	\$8,248.00	\$8,239.51	\$0.00
Parish Nurse Salary	\$15,396.00	\$15,381.38	\$0.00
Cont Ed Parish Nurse	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00
New Member Materials	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Adult Ed	\$350.00	\$75.00	\$350.00
Background Checks	\$1,000.00	\$194.25	\$500.00
Safety & Security	<u>\$2,000.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
Total LIFE & GROWTH	\$36,469.00	\$28,904.30	\$12,325.00
PRESCHOOL			
PS Salaries/Benefits	\$104,760.00	\$105,521.61	\$95,000.00
PS Sub Pay	\$3,000.00	\$2,034.48	\$2,790.00
PS Cont Ed	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,120.00
PS Room Equipment	\$350.00	\$259.92	\$325.00
PS Misc	\$800.00	\$635.41	\$750.00
PS Consumable	\$1,800.00	\$1,578.92	\$1,675.00
PS Non Consumable	\$500.00	\$505.45	\$465.00
PS Resources	\$100.00	\$98.38	\$95.00
PS FICA	\$7,593.00	\$8,108.67	\$7,200.00
PS Mileage Reimbursement	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
PS Advertising	<u>\$250.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$240.00</u>
Total PRESCHOOL	\$120,453.00	\$119,942.84	\$109,660.00
DAY CAMP			
Day Camp Staff Salaries	\$10,640.00	\$10,300.43	\$10,000.00
Day Camp FICA	\$814.00	\$788.04	\$750.00
DC Supplies	\$750.00	\$548.53	\$750.00
DC Equipment	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
DC Advertising	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
DC Scholarships	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$1,325.00</u>
Total DAY CAMP	\$13,904.00	\$13,137.00	\$12,875.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>\$1,263,396.00</u>	<u>\$1,122,320.04</u>	<u>\$1,222,485.00</u>
Total INCOME LESS EXPENSE	\$0.00	\$1,550.82	\$0.00

Our StewardshipScoreboard

2020–2026

Monthly Income

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	To Date	Total	Budget
2025-2026	57,459	84,252	79,164	87,090	107,907	201,769	116,417	81,792	81,207	82,792	95,425	48,596	1,123,870	1,123,870	1,263,396
2024-2025	66,161	65,943	110,106	78,236	92,863	214,483	97,149	113,194	86,993	85,541	60,230	112,589	925,128	1,183,488	1,253,372
2024 6mos							133,819	70,448	87,615	72,039	74,755	104,252		542,928	626,686
2023	84,026	81,755	76,576	103,518	79,210	182,305	106,157	100,758	81,636	108,273	80,300	118,329	895,941	1,202,843	1,252,861
2022	62,788	64,867	77,826	99,993	98,214	185,351	105,749	81,830	112,879	95,336	97,792	65,726	889,497	1,148,351	1,253,934
2021	72,263	76,221	94,394	80,029	94,147	122,820	84,036	84,293	103,599	89,000	81,346	101,401	811,802	1,083,549	1,193,060
2020	79,999	70,700	102,052	92,973	88,376	138,586	118,637	105,707	91,756	69,397	97,496	82,810	888,786	1,138,489	1,316,493

Monthly Percentage of Total Budget

2025-2026	4.55%	6.67%	6.27%	6.89%	8.54%	15.97%	9.21%	6.47%	6.43%	6.55%	7.55%	3.85%			
2024-2025	5.28%	5.26%	8.78%	6.24%	7.41%	17.11%	7.75%	9.03%	6.94%	6.82%	4.81%	8.98%			
2024 6mo							21.35%	11.24%	13.98%	11.50%	11.93%	16.64%			
2023	6.71%	6.53%	6.11%	8.26%	6.32%	14.55%	8.47%	8.04%	6.52%	8.64%	6.41%	9.44%			
2022	5.01%	5.17%	6.21%	7.97%	7.83%	14.78%	8.43%	6.53%	9.00%	7.60%	7.80%	5.24%			
2021	6.06%	6.39%	7.91%	6.71%	7.89%	10.29%	7.04%	7.07%	8.68%	7.46%	6.82%	8.50%			
2020	6.08%	5.37%	7.75%	7.06%	6.71%	10.53%	9.01%	8.03%	6.97%	5.27%	7.41%	6.29%			

Cumulative Percentage of Total Budget

2025-2026	4.55%	11.22%	17.48%	24.38%	32.92%	48.89%	58.10%	64.58%	71.00%	77.56%	85.11%	88.96%			
2024-2025	5.28%	10.54%	19.32%	25.57%	32.98%	50.09%	57.84%	66.87%	73.81%	80.00%	85.44%	93.68%			
2024 6mo							21.35%	32.59%	46.58%	58.07%	70.00%	86.63%			
2023	6.71%	13.23%	19.34%	27.61%	33.93%	48.48%	56.95%	65.00%	71.51%	80.15%	86.56%	96.01%			
2022	5.01%	10.18%	16.39%	24.36%	32.19%	46.98%	55.41%	61.93%	70.94%	78.54%	86.34%	91.58%			
2021	6.06%	12.45%	20.36%	27.07%	34.96%	45.25%	52.29%	59.36%	68.04%	75.50%	82.32%	90.82%			
2020	6.08%	11.45%	19.20%	26.26%	32.97%	43.50%	52.51%	60.54%	67.51%	72.78%	80.19%	86.48%			

Our StewardshipScoreboard

2020–2026

Monthly Expenses

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	To Date	Total	Budget
2025-2026	82,439	81,256	94,201	96,048	92,878	97,363	97,626	95,743	103,760	97,545	87,696	95,764	1,122,319	1,122,319	1,263,396
2024-2025	92,036	88,079	94,364	103,480	108,779	95,530	102,716	103,619	106,456	102,043	97,132	94,118	1,188,352	1,188,352	1,253,372
2024 6mos							106,510	101,049	101,312	101,658	94,124	92,735		597,388	636,686
2023	90,052	97,268	94,695	90,931	97,301	112,211	93,784	102,870	109,240	104,336	96,189	89,035	1,177,912	1,177,912	1,252,861
2022	88,266	86,767	100,738	91,709	91,467	120,358	91,129	94,207	96,756	92,389	90,943	97,535	1,142,264	1,142,264	1,253,934
2021	80,065	82,196	93,779	86,201	88,446	112,674	86,187	88,027	91,214	85,826	82,811	87,345	1,064,771	1,064,771	1,193,060
2020	81,792	96,987	98,219	85,152	80,934	107,814	95,227	103,261	100,728	92,341	95,555	89,108	1,127,118	1,127,118	1,316,493
Monthly Percentage of Total Budget															
2025-2026	6.53%	6.43%	7.46%	7.60%	7.35%	7.71%	7.73%	7.58%	8.21%	7.72%	6.94%	7.58%			
2024-2025	7.34%	7.03%	7.53%	8.26%	8.68%	7.62%	8.20%	8.27%	8.49%	8.14%	7.75%	7.51%			
2024 6mos							16.73%	15.87%	15.91%	15.97%	14.78%	14.57%			
2023	7.19%	7.76%	7.56%	7.26%	7.77%	8.96%	7.49%	8.21%	8.72%	8.33%	7.68%	7.11%			
2022	7.04%	6.92%	8.03%	7.31%	7.29%	9.60%	7.27%	7.51%	7.72%	7.37%	7.25%	7.78%			
2021	6.71%	6.89%	7.86%	7.23%	7.41%	9.44%	7.22%	7.38%	7.65%	7.19%	6.94%	7.32%			
2020	6.21%	7.37%	7.46%	6.47%	6.15%	8.19%	7.23%	7.84%	7.65%	7.01%	7.26%	6.77%			
Average	5.75%	5.99%	6.41%	6.09%	6.22%	7.30%	7.73%	7.80%	7.94%	7.65%	7.32%	7.26%			
Cumulative Percentage of Total Budget															
2025-2026	6.53%	12.96%	20.41%	28.02%	35.37%	43.07%	50.80%	58.38%	66.59%	74.31%	81.25%	88.83%			
2024-2025	7.34%	14.37%	21.90%	30.16%	38.83%	46.46%	54.65%	62.92%	71.41%	79.55%	87.30%	94.81%			
2024 6mos							16.73%	32.60%	48.51%	64.48%	79.26%	93.83%			
2023	7.19%	14.95%	22.51%	29.77%	37.53%	46.49%	53.98%	62.19%	70.91%	79.23%	86.91%	94.02%			
2022	7.04%	13.96%	21.99%	29.31%	36.60%	46.20%	53.47%	60.98%	68.70%	76.06%	83.32%	91.09%			
2021	6.71%	13.60%	21.46%	28.69%	36.10%	45.54%	52.77%	60.15%	67.79%	74.98%	81.93%	89.25%			
2020	6.21%	13.58%	21.04%	27.51%	33.66%	41.85%	49.08%	56.92%	64.57%	71.59%	78.85%	85.62%			

Designated Funds Activity Report

Description	Opening Balance	YTD Receipts	YTD Disbursements	Ending Balance
COMMUNITY OUTREACH				
Seminary Students Fund	\$1,590.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,590.87
Good Samaritan	\$2,656.08	\$0.00	\$181.59	\$2,474.49
Trinity Food Pantry	\$44,667.01	\$74,911.35	\$62,008.97	\$57,569.39
Friends of Flynn	\$6,445.03	\$6,340.00	\$2,769.94	\$10,015.09
Community Table	\$0.00	\$436.93	\$436.93	\$0.00
Habitat For Humanity	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sojourner House	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jamaica Benevolence	\$31,076.93	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$31,076.93
Refugee Resettlement	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
TOTAL COMMUNITY OUT-	\$86,535.92	\$81,688.28	\$65,397.43	\$102,826.77
PRESCHOOL				
PS Memorials-Chloe Richie	\$2,459.84	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,459.84
PS Memorials	\$1,125.44	\$9,460.48	\$980.37	\$9,605.55
PS Misc	\$319.36	\$2,206.02	\$1,256.28	\$1,269.10
PS Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$12,131.52	\$12,131.52	\$0.00
PS Photo	\$663.40	\$1,230.00	\$1,533.68	\$359.72
PS Thrivent Choice	\$2,628.19	\$79.00	\$1,164.53	\$1,542.66
PS Playground Fundraiser	\$3,513.28	\$2,037.00	\$935.00	\$4,615.28
PS Family Night	\$170.18	\$168.00	\$291.26	\$46.92
PS Registration	\$17,973.00	\$27,860.00	\$26,712.00	\$19,121.00
PS Field Trips	\$53.15	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$53.15
PS T-Shirts	\$336.93	\$505.00	\$464.00	\$377.93
TOTAL PRESCHOOL	\$29,242.77	\$55,677.02	\$45,468.64	\$39,451.15
CONTINUING EDUCATION				
PS Director Cont Ed	\$787.11	\$194.21	\$787.11	\$194.21
Associate Pastor Cont Ed	\$3,333.54	\$5,925.00	\$6,671.96	\$2,586.58
Parish Nurse Cont Ed	\$60.40	\$189.40	\$60.40	\$189.40
Lead Pastor Cont ED	\$0.00	\$292.12	\$0.00	\$292.12
YM Director Cont Ed	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
W&M Director Cont Ed	\$0.00	\$330.66	\$0.00	\$330.66
TOTAL CONTINUING ED	\$4,181.05	\$6,931.39	\$7,519.47	\$3,592.97
MEMORIALS/INCOME FUNDS				
Endowment Trust	\$5.00	\$455.00	\$445.00	\$15.00
Women's Giving Circle	\$0.00	\$8,600.00	\$8,350.00	\$250.00
Memorials	\$74,489.82	\$1,406.00	\$3,001.92	\$72,893.90
Rent-Lexington House	\$14,974.14	\$57,915.00	\$75,208.42	(\$2,319.28)
TOTAL MEMORIALS/INCOME	\$89,468.96	\$68,376.00	\$87,005.34	\$70,839.62

Designated Funds Activity Report

Description	Opening Balance	YTD Receipts	YTD Disbursements	Ending Balance
CHILDRENS MINISTRIES				
Children's Ministries	\$8,959.11	\$4,213.68	\$140.45	\$13,032.34
Christmas Sharing Project	\$1,466.76	\$490.00	\$260.19	\$1,696.57
Birth to Three	\$379.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$379.58
Day Camps	\$4,327.01	\$6,338.40	\$4,472.01	\$6,193.40
VBS	\$2,958.95	\$2,400.00	\$3,070.69	\$2,288.26
VBS Offering	\$54.42	\$403.80	\$403.80	\$54.42
Children's Bibles	\$5,052.61	\$1,255.00	\$1,063.22	\$5,244.39
Children's Scholarships	\$565.20	\$8,658.48	\$167.00	\$9,056.68
TOTAL CHILDRENS MINISTRIES	\$23,763.64	\$23,759.36	\$9,577.36	\$37,945.64
YOUTH MINISTRIES				
YM Donations	\$4,551.07	\$16,040.17	\$137.57	\$20,453.67
YM Summer Trip	\$12,242.98	\$27,345.52	\$22,718.58	\$16,869.92
YM Events	\$60.33	\$3,563.40	\$0.00	\$3,623.73
YM ELCA Youth Gathering	\$1,834.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,834.62
YM Confirmation Supplies	\$3,338.44	\$45.00	\$980.81	\$2,402.63
YM Summer Stretch	\$2,307.37	\$1,065.00	\$1,200.92	\$2,171.45
YM Scholarships	\$15,414.36	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$15,914.36
YM Graduate Scholarships	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
YM Youth Accounts	\$1,607.82	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$1,607.82
YM Fundraisers Other	\$1.00	\$1,530.00	\$1,531.00	\$0.00
TOTAL YOUTH MINISTRIES	\$41,357.99	\$50,189.09	\$26,668.88	\$64,878.20
MUSIC & WORSHIP				
Handbells	\$1,324.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,324.63
Organ Fund	\$1,186.20	\$0.00	\$762.50	\$423.70
Scholarship Singers Grant	\$16,858.79	\$65,405.00	\$16,882.62	\$65,381.17
Worship Technology	\$6,579.89	\$2,505.00	\$3,381.09	\$5,703.80
Flowers	\$1,288.14	\$4,020.00	\$3,676.97	\$1,631.17
Worship Decorating	\$56.67	\$0.00	(\$30.00)	\$86.67
Altar Guild/Paraments	\$848.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$848.92
Praise Team	\$836.62	\$0.00	\$36.90	\$799.72
Children's Choirs	\$323.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$323.82
Liturgical Dance	\$29.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29.88
Trinity Choir	\$285.93	\$1,320.00	\$378.61	\$1,227.32
Wedding Pre-Payment	\$500.00	\$1,225.00	\$1,725.00	\$0.00
TOTAL MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$30,119.49	\$74,475.00	\$26,813.69	\$77,780.80
FACILITY MAINTENANCE				
Building	\$39,386.44	\$7,842.00	\$19,420.28	\$27,808.16
Property Maintenance Reserve	\$13,520.23	\$28,005.46	\$39,392.22	\$2,133.47
Kitchen	\$0.00	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.00
TOTAL FACILITY MAINT	\$52,906.67	\$35,847.51	\$58,812.55	\$29,941.63

Designated Funds Activity Report

Description	Opening Balance	YTD Receipts	YTD Disbursements	Ending Balance
PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION				
Clearing Account	\$0.00	\$9,992.54	\$5,227.47	\$4,765.07
Staff Development	\$3,646.94	\$0.00	\$1,205.24	\$2,441.70
Call Process/Moving	\$16,885.33	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,885.33
TOTAL PROGRAM ADMIN	\$20,532.27	\$9,992.54	\$6,432.71	\$24,092.10
LIFE & GROWTH				
Women's Ministries	\$2,371.03	\$1,544.00	\$1,322.66	\$2,592.37
Quilters	\$2,310.03	\$4,656.00	\$4,211.05	\$2,754.98
Library	\$1,679.37	\$3,225.62	\$2,348.03	\$2,556.96
Trinity Book Club	\$269.20	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$169.20
Adult Ed	\$515.14	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$515.14
Prayer Shawl Ministry	\$986.27	\$1,540.00	\$1,230.46	\$1,295.81
Lent/Advent Soup Lunch	\$804.71	\$385.00	\$461.84	\$727.87
Coffee Ministry	\$1,377.25	\$1,871.00	\$2,482.38	\$765.87
Archives	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Thanksgiving Dinner	\$100.00	\$5,421.00	\$3,616.53	\$1,904.47
Health Ministry	\$489.94	\$0.00	\$462.26	\$27.68
Caring For Creation	\$948.07	\$27.80	\$203.55	\$772.32
TOTAL LIFE & GROWTH	\$11,851.01	\$18,670.42	\$16,438.76	\$14,082.67
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$389,959.77	\$425,606.61	\$350,134.83	\$465,431.55

2025 Statistical Report

Number of Weddings 6

Members received during 2025

By Baptism	12
Affirmed Faith	28
By Transfer	<u>1</u>
Total	41

Members removed during 2025

By Death	15
By Transfer	12
Other	<u>50</u>
Total	77

Baptized Members Confirmed 22

Total Baptized Members 1746
Total Confirmed Members 1510

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